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In re Application of

Yoshitomo Tokumoto

Serial No.: 10/694,906

Group Art Unit: 2855

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For: ROTATION ANGLE DETECTING DEVICE, AND TORQUE DETECTING
DEVICE

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313 - 1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 through §1.99 and pursuant to applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, applicant respectfully brings the following documents, cited in the French Office Action and listed on the attached form PTO-1449, to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application. Copies of the listed documents are provided herewith for the convenience of the Examiner. This citation does not constitute an admission that the references are relevant or material to the claims. They are only cited as constituting related art of which the applicant is aware.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a copy of a corresponding Office Action indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign office.

Specifically, the Office Action indicates that reference DE 198 34 322 is in category Y (particularly relevant in combination with another document of the same category).

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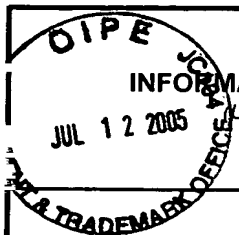
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			French Office Action dated April 13, 2005.

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